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Applicant:

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Examiner:

John F. Ramirez

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An Efficient Magnet System for Magnetically-Assisted Surgery

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 28, 2006. Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.